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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Tomoe ARUGA  
FIXING RUBBER ROLLER, FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS INCORPORATING THE SAME  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. **Q79601**

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifty-two(52) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and fourteen (14) sheets of drawings.

**The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and the Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

|                    |           |   |    |   |           |   |         |   |                 |
|--------------------|-----------|---|----|---|-----------|---|---------|---|-----------------|
| Total claims       | <u>40</u> | - | 20 | = | <u>20</u> | x | \$18.00 | = | <u>\$360.00</u> |
| Independent claims | <u>11</u> | - | 3  | = | <u>8</u>  | x | \$86.00 | = | <u>\$688.00</u> |
| Base Fee           |           |   |    |   |           |   |         |   | <u>\$770.00</u> |

**TOTAL FEE**

**\$1,818.00**



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Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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| JAPAN          | 2003-018292           | January 28, 2003   |
| JAPAN          | 2003-021700           | January 30, 2003   |
| JAPAN          | 2003-021701           | January 30, 2003   |
| JAPAN          | 2003-034897           | February 13, 2003  |

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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